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For: MAGNETIC RECORDING AND REPRODUCTION APPARATUS

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 11, 2006

Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and comments.